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1. It has been reported that the Iraqi Government has asked the Syrian Government to hand over certain Iraqi Communists who had escaped to Syria.
2. The Syrian Government, according to source through fear of Russia, and through desire to maintain Russian support against the Greater Syria plan and in the Palestine question, has ignored the Iraqi request.
3. It is also stated that the Iraqis have informed the Syrians that Khalid Baghdash, leader of the Syrian Communist Party, has on several occasions entertained Yusuf Sulayman, Iraqi Communist who is now under arrest, and have warned the Syrians against such practices.

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